

1 Right Triangle Trig Review

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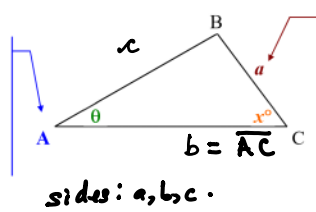
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Ch 3/4 - Day 1: RIGHT TRIANGLE TRIGONOMETRY (REVIEW)

TRIANGLES

Capital letters at vertices.

- ◆ $\angle A$ is the angle.
- ◆ A is the angle's measure.
- ◆ $\angle A = \angle BAC =$
- ◆ $\theta =$ "theta"



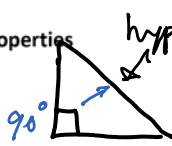
- ◆ The lower case letter corresponding to the opposite vertex represents the length of the side.
- ◆ The side's length can also be represented by its endpoints, BC.

Triangle Properties

- ◆ sum of angles = 180°
- ◆ longest side is opposite the largest angle; shortest side is opposite the smallest angle

Right Triangle Properties

- ◆ Right triangle:

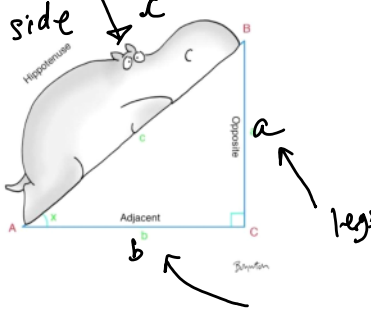


- ◆ hypotenuse: longest side
- ◆ always opp 90°

- ◆ Pythagorean Theorem:

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

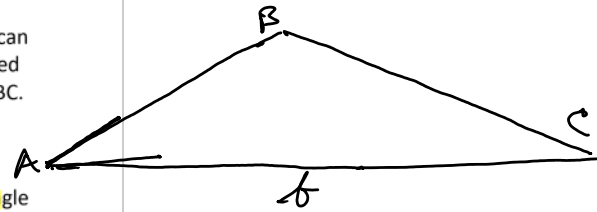
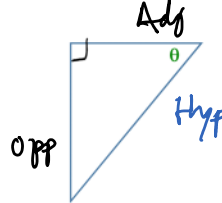
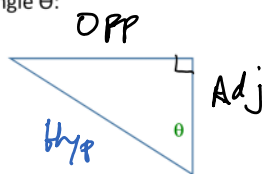
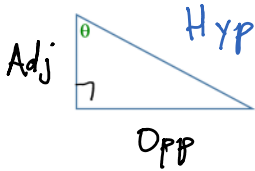
$$c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$



- ◆ We can also use sine, cosine, and tangent to find sides and angles.

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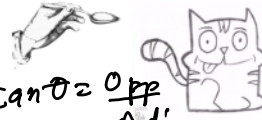
Example 1: Identify the HYPOTENUSE (hyp), ADJACENT (adj), and OPPOSITE (opp) sides in each triangle with respect to angle θ :



PRIMARY TRIGONOMETRIC RATIOS

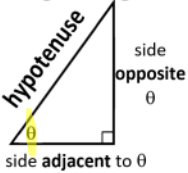
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$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{Opp}}{\text{Hyp}}$
 $\cos \theta = \frac{\text{Adj}}{\text{Hyp}}$
 $\tan \theta = \frac{\text{Opp}}{\text{Adj}}$



She offered her cat a heaping teaspoon of acid

In right triangles:



sine of angle θ ,

$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{length of side opposite } \theta}{\text{length of hypotenuse}}$

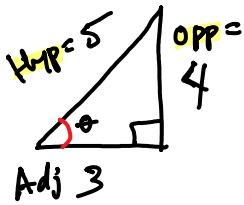
cosine of angle θ ,

$\cos \theta = \frac{\text{length of side adjacent } \theta}{\text{length of hypotenuse}}$

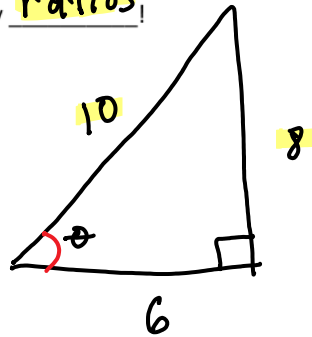
tangent of angle θ ,

$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{length of side opposite } \theta}{\text{length of side adjacent to } \theta}$

Sin, cos, and tan are really ratios!



$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{Opp}}{\text{Hyp}}$
 $= \frac{4}{5}$



$\sin \theta = \frac{8}{10} = \frac{4}{5}$

sin ratios are same!

CALCULATOR USE: Be sure your calculator is in **DEGREE MODE!**

Determining the trigonometric RATIO value of a given angle

cos 50°: $\boxed{\cos} \boxed{50} \boxed{=}$ $\therefore \cos 50^\circ \approx 0.6428$

Determining the ANGLE measure from a given trigonometric value

sin θ = 0.75; θ = sin⁻¹(0.75) $\boxed{2^{nd} \text{ function}} \boxed{\sin} \boxed{0.75} \boxed{=}$ $\therefore \theta \approx 48.59^\circ$
 θ = sin⁻¹(0.75)
↑ "inverse sine" "arcsine"

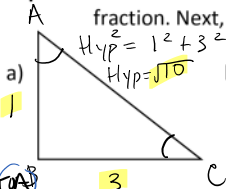
★ Give 4 decimal place for sin, cos, tan
Example 2: Evaluate each trigonometric ratio, to four decimal places.

a) cos 89° ≈ 0.01745 = 0.0175 b) tan 42° ≈ 0.9004 c) sin 45° ≈ 0.7071

Example 3: Find the angle given the trig ratio.

a) cos θ = 0.1 θ = cos⁻¹(0.1) = 84.260°
 b) tan θ = 2.5 θ = tan⁻¹(2.5) = 68.20° (68.198°)

Example 4: Determine the value of each trigonometric ratio. Express the answer as a fraction. Next, find the angle.



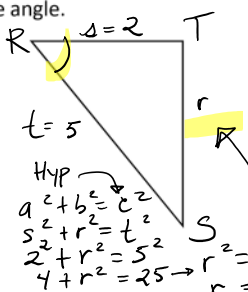
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$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$
 $1^2 + 3^2 = c^2$
 $\sqrt{c^2} = \sqrt{10}$
 $c = \sqrt{10}$

$\tan A = \frac{\text{Opp}}{\text{Adj}} = \frac{3}{1} = 3$
 $A = \tan^{-1}(3) = 72^\circ$

$\cos C = \frac{\text{Adj}}{\text{Hyp}} = \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}$
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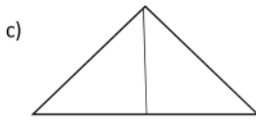
$C = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{10}}\right) = 18^\circ$



$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$
 $4^2 + 3^2 = 5^2$
 $2^2 + r^2 = 5^2$
 $4 + r^2 = 25 \rightarrow r^2 = 21$
 $r = \sqrt{21}$

$\cos R = \frac{\text{Adj}}{\text{Hyp}} = \frac{3}{5}$
 $\cos R = \frac{3}{5}$
 $R = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = 66^\circ$

$\sin R = \frac{\text{Opp}}{\text{Hyp}} = \frac{\sqrt{21}}{5}$
 $\sin R = \frac{\sqrt{21}}{5}$



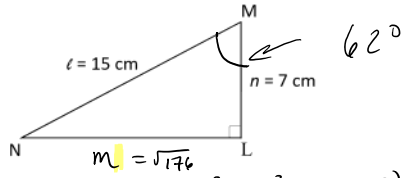
$\sin \theta$

$\tan \angle MLN$

SOLVING RIGHT TRIANGLES

When solving triangles, find all the unknown side lengths and angle measures. Use triangle properties and trigonometry.

Example 5: In $\triangle MNL$; $L = 90^\circ$, $l = 15$ cm, and $n = 7$ cm. Solve $\triangle LMN$. Answer to the nearest tenth of a degree or hundredth of a cm when necessary.



1) Find m : $l^2 = m^2 + n^2$
 $15^2 = m^2 + 7^2$
 $225 = m^2 + 49$
 $\quad -49 \quad \quad -49$

 $176 = m^2$
 $m = \sqrt{176}$

3) Find $\angle N$:
 $\angle N = 180^\circ - 62^\circ - 90^\circ$
 $\angle N = 28^\circ$

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2) Find M : $\cos M = \frac{\text{Adj}}{\text{Hyp}} = \frac{7}{15}$
 $M = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{7}{15}\right)$
 $M = 62^\circ$